**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

*Ps 125;*

*Prov 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23*

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

*Ps 73:1-20; Prov 8:32-9:6; Heb 11:29-12:2*

**TUES., SEPTEMBER 10**

*Ps 73:1-20; Prov 11:1-31; Heb12:3-13*

**WEDS., SEPTEMBER 11**

*Ps 73:1-20; Prov 14:1-9;*

*Matt 17:14-21*

**THURS., SEPTEMBER 12**

*Ps 19; Prov 15:1-17;*

*Heb 11:17-22*

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

*Ps 19; Prov 19:24-29;*

*James 2:17-26*

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 14**

*Ps 98:1-5; Numbers 21;4b-9;*

*I Cor 1:18-24; John 3:13-17*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

*Ps 19; Prov 1:20-33*

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*Sixteenth Sunday of Pentecost*

September 8, 2024

+Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

***ENTERING INTO WORSHIP***

 Gathering and Announcements

 Prelude

*Acknowledging the Light of Christ in our midst*

+Opening Hymn       *I am Thine O Lord*# 419

+Affirmation of Faith         *Apostles’ Creed*                        # 881

+Act of Praise  *Gloria Patri*        # 70

 Musical Offering *Amazing Abundance*  Rev. Thomas

 Morning Prayer

 The Lord’s Prayer

 Anthem                  *Proclamation of Service*  Sanctuary Choir

 Offertory Prayer

 Offertory

+Doxology        *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* # 94

*Children ages 3K through 5K are dismissed to Children’s Church.*

+Hymn   *Be Thou My Vision*# 451

 Sermon                   *God-Shaped Greatness*        Rev. Kaufman

 *Mark 9:30-37; 10:35-45*

+Hymn *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* # 581

*Following the Light of Christ into the world*

+Benediction

Holy Communion immediately follows 8:20 service, except on first Sundays.

We are always pleased to welcome new members. If you wish to unite with our church family today, please come forward during the singing of the last hymn; or you may speak with one of the ministers following the benediction.

Nursery is available ages up to and including two (2) years of age.

 **Mark your calendars…**

**Wednesday Night Supper @ 5:00 pm in CLC**

**Volunteersare Needed and All Are Welcome! Please contact Thelma in Church Office to be added to our weekly volunteer schedule.**

 **\* Pre-Registration is Encouraged!**

**Please scan the QR Code to the right to Register**

 **for our Wednesday Night Supper:**

**-$10 Adult Meals (6 grade & up), - $7 Child Meals**

\***In lieu of Family pricing we have introduced a new option to Pre-Purchase for a Semester of Meals at a discount Adults $120 & Child $84. Please sign up early to get this special offer! We have an excellent weekly menu planned.**

**Supper Menu – Sept. 11th : Poppy Seed Chicken, Broccoli, Cream**

 **Corn, Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Beverage**

Mark Your Calendars…

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)

(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB or Saintmarksum.org)

9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)

10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)

10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)

(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page)

12:30 pm Cursillo Potluck (3-Parlor)

4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4)

5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm)

5:30 pm Youth MERGE (4)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

10:00 am Women’s Bible Study (1-Choir Rm)

6:00 pm Disciple Fast Track tonight

7:00 pm AA (2)

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

5:30 pm Girl Scouts Troop #5256 (4)

6:15pm Girl Scout Troop #2719 Leaders (5)

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

7:00 am Men’s Prayer Group (1-Robe Rm)

10:00 am Adult Study (1-Robe Rm)

5:00 pm Wed Night Supper (5)

6:00 pm Bible Study (2+3+4)

6:00 pm Kids Workshops (3)

6:00 pm Youth FUEL (4)

7:00 pm 11th Hr. Praise Team Practice (5)

7:00 pm Choir Practice (1)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBR 12**

10:00 am Prayer and Bead Group (1)

5:30 pm BSA Andrew Council (2)

7:00 pm AA (2)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

9:15 am Walking with Joy (5)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

8:20 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)

(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB or Saintmarksum.org)

9:30 am Sunday School (1+2+3+4)

10:45 am Trad. Worship (1) (Greeters)

10:45 am 11th Hour Worship (5) (Greeters)

(Livestream on St. Mark’s FB page)

4:30 pm Finance Committee (1-Choir Rm)

4:30 pm Driven Praise Team Practice (4)

5:00 pm Handbells (1-Robe Rm)

5:30 pm Youth MERGE (4, 5-Kitchen)

**St. Mark’s Shelby Giving**

Please click on the QR code to the right with your smartphone to access the **Shelby Giving** application on your mobile phone.

**Thank you for your continued support of St. Mark’s UMC. .Ministries!**

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| **THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT: 7/30/2024** | ***Yr. 2024*** |
| TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET |  **$ 1,573,165.00** |
| AMOUNT RECEIVED YTD |  $706,815.46 |
| AMOUNT EXPENDED YTD |  -$829,386.62 |
| **Revenue Over/Under Expense** |  **($122,571.16)** |

**KEY:**

**1 – Sanctuary building**

**2 – Wesley – adult education**

**3 – Asbury – children’s education**

**4 – SWH – youth building**

**5 – CLC – Christian Life Center**

**Jon Kaufman……………………………………………………………………….. Senior Pastor**

**Ryan McGough…………………………………………………………………Associate Pastor**

**Sandra Thomas ……………………………………….Pastor for Worship & Music Arts**

**Anna McGough ....……………………….Director of Children & Family Ministries**

**Darlene Baker……………………………………………..……….. Music Assistant/Pianist**

**Jason Boyd……………………………………………………..…. Music Assistant/Organist**

**Thelma Lorentz…………………………………………………… Administrative Assistant**

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**Facebook: St. Mark’s United Methodist Church**







**Trendsetter Opportunities - *for anyone 50+***

**Join our St. Mark’s UMC Senior Adults! *….***

**Thurs., Sept. 26 – 5:30 pm – Bingo & more! (5-CLC)**

**Wed., Oct. 9 – Senior American Day –** Leave church at 9:30 am.

Sign up in the church office to attend seniors’ day at the **MS State Fair**.

Visit free health & biscuit booths; hear from the featured-entertainer Ronnie McDowell; eat at the fair; ride rides, & so much more!

**Thurs., Oct. 10 – Gladys Knight in Concert at the Riley Center in Meridian.** Leave church at 4 pm: Dinner then Concert at 7 pm.

 Call Sandra for ticket availability.

**In Oct, planning a Movie Night, look for upcoming updates.**

**Nov. 18-21 – Branson, Missouri Trip ~ Christmas Lights Tour**

Call Sandra for ticket availability.

***For further opportunities* *& a complete list contact or stop by the church office… Sign Up in Church Office:*** *Contact Rev. Sandra Thomas or call Church Office for more details regarding Trendsetter & trip opportunities!*

*601-992-2131* or email  Sandra@saintmarksum.org

 **Sunday, September 8, 2024**

 **Acolytes @ Traditional & 11th Hr. Services**

**&**

 **Children’s Church**

 (Does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

***Children & Family Ministries…***

 *All activities are for PreK*

 *through 5th Grade*

**Sunday School** @ 9:30 AM

 **(3 - A102/A104)**

[**Wednesday Night Supper** & Bible Studies. You can sign up to eat **here**](https://saintmarksum.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ebf3f66a9abd4c46e1abcdd0d&id=3ae967fac0&e=9726677c68) and even prepay if you would like for the meal or the semester.

**Wednesday Night Kids** - let me know if you would like to volunteer to lead a small group on Wednesday Nights.

I am looking for five (5) volunteers to lead once per month!

Please Contact **Anna McGough** for all Sign Ups at: 601-992-2131 (Ext.109)

Or email**Anna@saintmarksum.org**for more info.

**St. Mark’s Youth Ministry… *DRIVEN Youth***

 ***For all students in 6th-12th grades***

**Prayer Concerns…**

**In Sympathy to Family & Friends of:**

Rev. Kelly Pope, on his passing, August 29.

Derek Humphries, Russell’s Brother, passed last weekend and of John Humphries, Russell’s Father, passed on Sept 2.

**Members Needing Prayers:**

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| Trish ChampneyCamille DumasSandra McGee | Joel MeltonMerriam Smilley | Ron TisdaleJohnnie Yakstis |

**Family & Friends --- June – Sept. 2024:**

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| Dorothy Ashby (Clyde Payne)Larry & Margie Case (Lynette Conklin)Baby Rainer Clark (Karen Reed)Zach Cooley (Gary & Nancy Ladd)Kristen Cox (Beth Cox)Bill Darnell (Rick Darnell)Debbie Fesmire (MaryBeth Fesmire)Bryanna Frisbee (Beth Cox)Harold Gardner (Chuck Jefcoat) | Beth Hall (Karen Reed)Donna Hill (Sandra McGee)Jerry Kirkland (Lois Minchew)Janet Lawing (Jo Hebert)Haley & Jessica McIngvale (Jane Mapp)Tommie Pittman (Hewitt & Ann Pittman)Ana Maria Price (Mayita Price)Kate (Zachow) Stina (Chris & Steve Zachow) |

**Long Term Prayers:**

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| Carole BellTinker ColwellBernie DrowneMartha GowerJoanne Humphries | Jerry KlomparensSara MeeksDixie MillerJune MiracleJonnie Norton | Ann SaucierJanette ThomasLinda ThomasFrances UpchurchMike & Connie Weaver |
| Mally & Ian (Katie Baker)Amanda Hearn Biek (Karen Williams)Hunter Burkhalter (Amanda Doby)Larry Case (Lyn Smith)Danielle (Susan Weatherholt)Gina McGraw Duffy (Vicki Phillips)Leon Elzey (Sandra Bates)Victoria Farr (Carolyn Farr)Davis Fox (Kathy Roberts)Russell Gaines (Linda Jennings)Ruby Galmore (Beverly McClure)Renea Griffith (Russ & Beth Griffith)Jason Heins (Linda Breedlove)Luanne Hitselberger (Chris Zachow)Donna Hill (Sandra & Mac McGee)James Walker Hodge (Charlinda Hall)Don Jacks (Cyndi Morgan)Bud Lambert (Suzan Watson)Gale Landry (Vicky & Kim Rohr) | Tanya Lofton (Megan Howe)Larry Marquez (Karen Reed)Marie Nichols (Gwen Robertson)Jennifer McBeth Payne (Sharon Womack)Garner PeacockTommy Pittman (Hewitt Pittman)Kerri Puckett (Cindy & Tim Puckett)Russ Robbins (Beth Robbins)Jeannette Rodriguez (Vicky & Kim Rohr)Darrell Sartin (Louise Sartin)Luke Shappley & Family (Sara & Rodney Meeks)Emily Grace Shields (Becka & Richard Shields)Will & Marti Sorey (Dennis O’Neal)Lovie Thomas (Cynthia Morgan)Leslie Toombs (Robby Toombs)Temple Tynnbaris (Clarene Reynolds)David & Mimi Watts (Melissa Bolland)Lane West (Betty Wheat)Ron Wolters (Cindy & George Edwards)Hubert & Vicki Wright (Linda Finley) |

**Serving our Country**:

Jason Attaway, Ethan Avent, Cameron Barr, Justin Cox, Leon Davis, Noah Duncan,

Jay Ellzey, Cody Howrigon, John Kibble, Boston Little, Cooper Little, Drew Little,

Nathan Muirhead, Donna Phillips, Frank Porter, Casey Powell, Joshua Schmitz,

Mark Sills, Eric Spellman, Brad Suggs, TJ Riley.

*\*\*\*Note: We need adults for each of these events to make them possible.*

**Sunday School (Rush Hour) every Sunday @ 9:30 am in SWH MS Guys/Gals & HS Bible studies!**

**Every Sunday - Join us (5:30 – 7:30 pm) in the Youth Building (SWH). Dinner is provided!**

**FUEL – Weekly on Wed. Nights (6 pm – 7 pm ) in SWH – The Station**

**Go Make a Difference “Go M.A.D.”---**

 **Tuesday, October 8th – Working at Church on Various Projects**

 **Thursday, October 10th – Wesley House in Meridian**

**Save the Date ---**

**\* Sunday, October 27th - Volunteer for Children’s Fall Fest**

**\* Sunday, November 10th – Youth Fundraiser**

**Upcoming Events, Mission & Volunteer Opportunities…**

**New Adult Study – Fall 2024**

***The Right Order of Things…Theology for Everyone!***

**Taught by: Rev. Jon Kaufman**

**Wednesdays at: 10 AM in Sanctuary, Robe Rm and**

**repeats at 6 PM in Wesley Center, Serendipity SS Class Rm.**

 *Contact Rev. Jon Kaufman or call Church Office for more details at: 601-992-2131 (ext.103)* or email  **Jon@saintmarksum.org**

**Cursillo Potluck**

**Sunday, September 8th**

**In Asbury Hall – Parlor at 12:30 pm**

**Pray Mississippi at Anderson UMC**

 **Sunday, Sept. 22nd (3:00-5:00 pm)**

 **For details contact Rev. Jon Kaufman**

**If you would like to attend and ride together: Call:** *601-992-2131 (ext.103)* or email  **Jon@saintmarksum.org**

**5th Sunday Sing & Celebrate! – Sept. 29 at 6:30 pm.**

**Stewpot Mission**

**The final week for us to serve in the pantry in 2024 is Nov 4-8.**

Please see Newsletter for details on how you can help! In Service to Christ, Jane Brown (601-940-7762), or Email: Info@saintmarksum.org

 **Many thanks for your continued support!**